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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

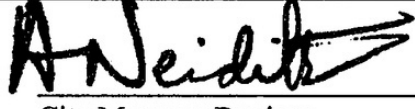| DATE ACTION IS REQUESTED: 1/17/06	TITLE: A Resolution expressing support for the Clover Park School District Bond Levy coming before the voters on February 7, 2006.	TYPE OF ACTION:
REVIEW: 1/17/06		__ORDINANCE X_ RESOLUTION NO. 2006-01 __ MOTION
	ATTACHMENTS: Resolution	__ OTHER

SUBMITTED BY: Heidi Ann Wachter, City Attorney.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Mayor and City Council pass a Resolution expressing support for the Clover Park School District Bond Levy coming before the voters on February 7, 2006.

DISCUSSION: The Clover Park School District and the City of Lakewood view a mutual benefit to the community from the passage of the bond levy. The bond levy is intended to improve the school district, which in turn improves life for the residents of the City. Historically, the Council has taken a position on such measures in the best interests of the City.

ALTERNATIVE(S): The City Council is not required to take action with regard to this bond levy (they could stay neutral) and the Council could choose to oppose the bond levy, however in light of the mutual benefit to both the school district and the City of the passage of the bond levy, the recommendation is that support be given.

FISCAL IMPACT: There are no fiscal impacts as a result of this Resolution.

Prepared by	City Manager Review
Department Director	
January 12, 2006	**AGENDA BILL** #1200

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-01

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, expressing support for the Clover Park School District School Construction Bond coming before the voters on February 7, 2006.

WHEREAS, education is critical to the moral, emotional and intellectual development of all citizens of the City of Lakewood; and,

WHEREAS, there is an achievement gap for the students of the Clover Park School District; and

WHEREAS, the City has committed to addressing this achievement gap in partnership with the Clover Park School District through various means, including ongoing coordination with the School District and other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the City must demonstrate a belief in public education and support for our School District as a message to prospective residents and businesses that the City cares about the education of its population; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that the Clover Park School District has proposed a school construction bond to make much needed upgrades to key facilities, including rebuilding and modernizing Lakes High School; and,

WHEREAS, in addition thereto, the bond will allow for construction of a new Lakeview Elementary School in partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound; and,

WHEREAS, the City and the Clover Park School District have committed to building a strong partnership for the benefit of our youth; and,

WHEREAS, the success of a partnership with the Clover Park School District and the Boys and Girls Clubs (Hope Center) may encourage future partnerships to the benefit of the City; and

WHEREAS, The City has made a financial commitment to the Boys and Girls Clubs (Hope Center); and

WHEREAS, the Clover Park School Board of Directors has approved a resolution to place a school construction bond proposal before the voters on February 7, 2006; and,
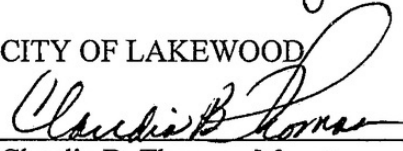
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES, as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council expresses its support for the passage of the Clover Park School District school construction bond, which will come before the voters on February 7, 2006.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and signatures hereon.

PASSED by the City Council this _17TH_ day of _January_, 2006.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

Claudia B. Thomas, Mayor

Attest:

Alice M. Bush, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Heidi Ann Wachter, City Attorney

VOTING RECORD

RESOLUTION NO. _2006-01_

DATE ADOPTED: _1-17-06_

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTION	ABSENT
ARBEENY	✓			
CRONK	✓			
FINNIGAN	✓			
McGOVERN				✓
NEARY	✓			
RICHARDSON	✓			
THOMAS, C.	✓			